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REPLY TO EXAMINER'S ACTION

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In reply to the Examiner's Action mailed March 26, 2002, applicants submit the following amendment and remarks.

In the Claims:

Cancel claims 18, 29, and 30, and amend claims 8, 15, and 16 as follows.

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8. (Thrice Amended) A purified and isolated DNA which encodes an AGE-1 polypeptide, said polypeptide comprising the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1.

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